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LEGIONNAIRES, FOR NUMEROUS ACTS OF ANTI-CRIME, I SENTENCE YOU TO THE DEVIL'S ISLAND OF SPACE!
MORDRU SORCERER
DORZAK MURDERER
KOLOAN TRAITOR
GOLGRO ASSASSIN
THRUN SABOTEUR
AND WE'RE ALL HELPLESS! EVEN OUR MIGHTIEST MEMBERS, SUPERBOY AND I, MON-EL, CAN'T BREAK LOOSE FROM THOSE MAGICAL BONDS!
Featuring:
"THE DEVIL'S JURY!"

DO YOU KNOW YOUR ABC's?

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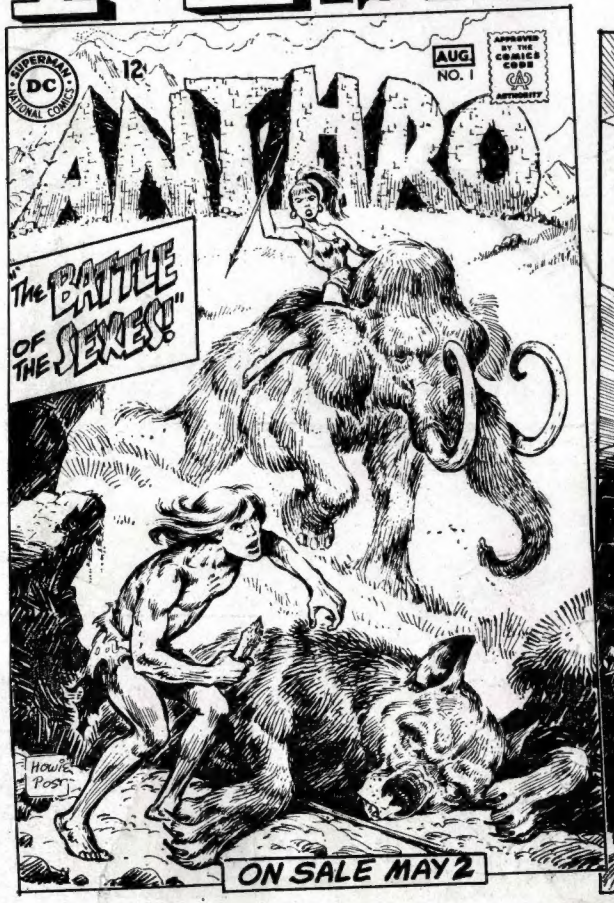

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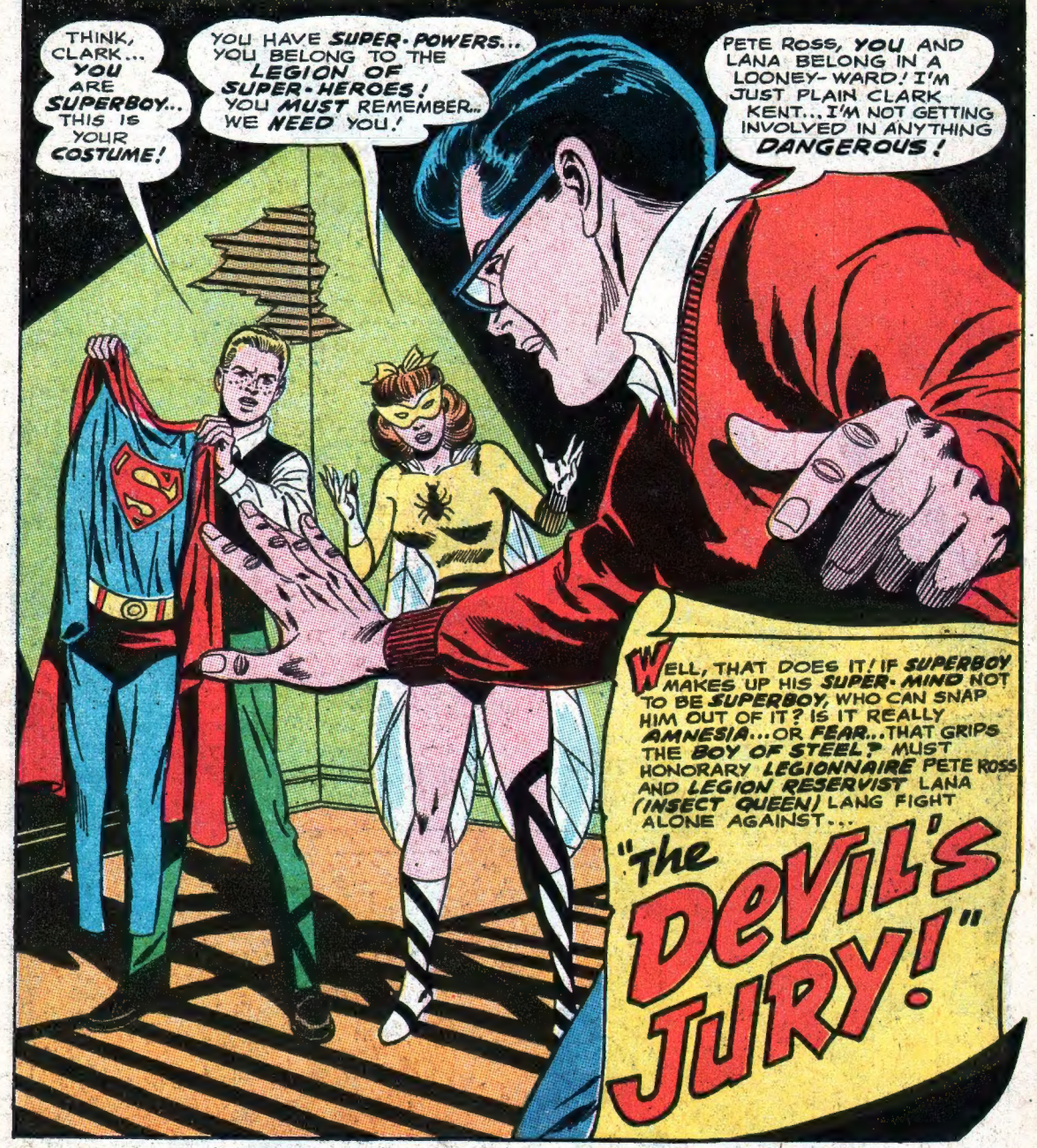
TALES OF THE LEGION of SUPER-HEROES


THINK, CLARK... YOU ARE SUPERBOY... THIS IS YOUR COSTUME!
YOU HAVE SUPER-POWERS... YOU BELONG TO THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES! YOU MUST REMEMBER... WE NEED YOU!
PETE ROSS, YOU AND LANA BELONG IN A LOONEY-WARD! I'M JUST PLAIN CLARK KENT... I'M NOT GETTING INVOLVED IN ANYTHING DANGEROUS!
WELL, THAT DOES IT! IF SUPERBOY MAKES UP HIS SUPER-MIND NOT TO BE SUPERBOY, WHO CAN SNAP HIM OUT OF IT? IS IT REALLY AMNESIA... OR FEAR... THAT GRIPS THE BOY OF STEEL? MUST HONORARY LEGIONNAIRE PETE ROSS AND LEGION RESERVIST LANA (INSECT QUEEN) LANG FIGHT ALONE AGAINST...
"The DEVIL'S JURY!"

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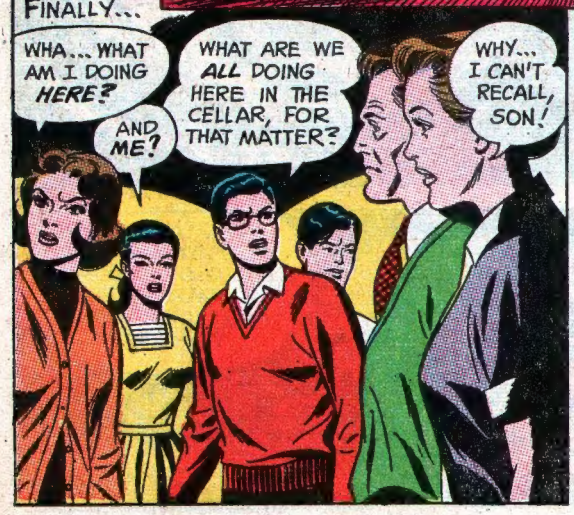
A BACK ALLEY IN 20TH-CENTURY SMALLVILLE... A STRANGE PLACE FOR FOUR LEGIONNAIRES TO BE CONFRONTED BY THE SINISTER SORCERER, MORDRU...
FOOLS! DID YOU THINK HIDING IN THIS CENTURY WOULD SAVE YOU?
EVER SINCE I ESCAPED FROM THE AIRLESS CRYPT YOU TRAPPED ME IN YEARS AGO, I HAVE SEARCHED THROUGH SPACE AND TIME FOR YOU! NOW... MY YENGEANCE!
WHAT? YOU DARE TO ATTACK ONE WHO HAS CONQUERED HUNDREDS OF WORLDS WITH HIS SORCERY?
AFTER I FINISH YOU, I WILL RECONQUER MY DOMAIN... THE ONE YOU FREED FROM MY GRASP WITH YOUR TRICKERY!

DOWN, LEGIONNAIRES! FALL AT THE FEET OF MORDRU! YOU CANNOT RISE! MY POWER CRUSHES YOU!
DO NOT HOPE FOR ANY HELP, HEROES! YOUR COMRADES IN THE FUTURE HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF!
ARRRH-H! COSMIC BOY... LIGHTNING LAD... ALL THE REST... ARE THEY DEAD? IMPRISONED?
NOW!
DIRT... BLINDING ME! WHERE ARE THE LEGIONNAIRES?
IT WORKED! MORDRU'S FORCE PREVENTED US FROM GOING UP, BUT NOT DOWN! THE DUST WILL COVER OUR ESCAPE!
MON-EL! WHEN I GIVE THE WORD, DIG... LIKE CRAZY!
HMM... I CAN SEE ONE FAINT HOPE!
ARE WE THE LAST LEGIONNAIRES? THE FINAL HOPE AGAINST MORDRU?
SECONDS LATER...
WHERE TO NOW, SUPERBOY? MORDRU CAN FOLLOW US THROUGH THE HOLE! WE'D BETTER HIDE!
QUICK...TO MY HOME! MORDRU MIGHT USE A MAGIC SPELL TO TRACE OUR THOUGHTS! WE MUST STOP THOSE THOUGHTS!

WHAT'S DOWN HERE IN YOUR CELLAR THAT CAN HELP US, SUPERBOY?
MY LAB, DUO DAMSEL! I MUST BUILD SOMETHING AT SUPER-SPEED! MON, BRING MOM AND DAD KENT DOWNSTAIRS!
IN MOMENTS...
THIS IS A HYPNOSIS MACHINE! IT'LL WIPE OUT OUR MEMORIES OF BEING LEGIONNAIRES, SO MORDRU CAN'T FIND US THROUGH OUR THOUGHTS!
MOM AND DAD, I'LL HAVE TO BLOT OUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF US, TOO! THERE MUST BE NO TRACE OF OUR PRESENCE! BUT THE EFFECT WILL ONLY LAST AN HOUR! THAT SHOULD BE LONG ENOUGH!
THE LEGIONNAIRES SWITCH TO THE SECRET IDENTITIES THEY HAVE BEEN USING IN SMALLVILLE... CLARK (SUPERBOY) KENT SWITCHES ON THE MACHINE... ITS EERIE BEAMS PLAY ACROSS THE SIX FACES...AND MEMORIES FADE WITH EACH PULSE OF RADIANCE THAT STRIKES THE HEROES... AND SUPERBOY'S ADOPTED PARENTS...



SOON, AS SHADOW LASS RETURNS TO THE LANG HOME, WHERE SHE HAS BEEN LIVING AS EXCHANGE STUDENT BETSY NORCROSS...

LANA ISN'T AWARE THAT SHE HAS JUST BEEN RELEASED FROM A SPELL WHICH FORCED HER TO SPY FOR MORDRU...

MEANWHILE, IN POLICE CHIEF PARKER'S HOME, WHERE DUO DAMSEL HAS BEEN MASQUERADING AS MRS. PARKER'S SECOND COUSIN, MARIE ELKINS...
MARIE, WE WERE SO WORRIED ABOUT YOU! WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?
YOU SCARED US HALF TO DEATH, YOUNG LADY! RUNNING OUT IN AN OUTLANDISH COSTUME...TALKING ABOUT THE 30TH CENTURY...
PLEASE FORGIVE ME, COUSIN LEAH! I DON'T REMEMBER A THING ABOUT IT! I'M SORRY!
PROBABLY JUST A SILLY PRANK!
NO..."MARIE" WOULD HAVE RETURNED TO THE 30TH CENTURY ...IF MORDRU HADN'T SHOWN UP...
AND, IN THE KENT HOME, WHERE MON-EL RESIDES AS COUSIN BOB COBB, BRUSH SALESMAN...
HEY, CLARK! HOW ABOUT GIVING ME A HAND WITH THESE HEAVY SAMPLE CASES OF MINE?
IF YOU ONLY REMEMBERED YOUR OWN POWERS, YOU COULD LIFT A THOUSAND HEAVY SAMPLE CASES, MON-EL!
MEANWHILE, IN THE HILLS NEAR SMALLVILLE, MORDRU HAS NOT BEEN IDLE...
I CANNOT FIND THEM ELSEWHERE ON EARTH...NOR CAN I PICK UP THEIR TRAIL IN SPACE OR TIME! THEY MUST STILL BE IN SMALLVILLE! I'LL SEARCH THE MINDS OF THE PEOPLE...
INSTANTLY, THE POWER OF MORDRU STREAMS FORTH...AND FOR AN INSTANT, THE CITIZENS OF SMALLVILLE FEEL A POWERFUL, ALIEN THOUGHT TOUCH THEIR BRAINS. THE THOUGHT IS SEARCHING ...PROBING...AND ALL SECRETS ARE LAID BARE TO IT...

HAVE THE LEGIONNAIRES REALLY ERASED ALL TRACES OF THEIR IDENTITIES? SURPRISINGLY, THE ANSWER IS...NO!
HMMM...THESE TWO SAW MARIE ELKINS IN A STRANGE COSTUME... HEARD HER SPEAK OF THE 30TH CENTURY!
THIS LAD SAW A PATCH OF BLUE ON BETSY NORCROSS' ARM! IT COULD HAVE BEEN INK...OR SHE COULD BE SHADOW LASS!
AND THIS BOY, PETE ROSS, ONCE ACCIDENTALLY DISCOVERED SUPERBOY IS CLARK KENT!*
* THIS HAPPENED IN SUPERBOY NO. 90. —Ed.
BUT...IF THESE ARE THE LEGIONNAIRES...
...WHY IS THERE NO MEMORY OF THEIR POWER IN THEIR MINDS?
DID THE REAL SUPER-HEROES PLANT THOSE THOUGHTS IN THE MINDS OF THESE STRANGERS... TO THROW ME OFF THE TRACK?
THE LEGIONNAIRES MUST STILL BE IN SMALLVILLE... BUT SO FAR THEY HAVE EVADED MY MENTAL PROBINGS...
BUT MORDRU'S THOUGHTS HAVE HAD AN EFFECT ON THE MESMERIZED MINDS OF THE HEROES...ERASING THE POST-HYPNOTIC SUGGESTION WHICH WAS TO RESTORE THEIR MEMORIES AT THE END OF AN HOUR...
I HAVE AN ODD FEELING SOMETHING SHOULD BE HAPPENING NOW... BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT!
OH, WELL... JUST A SILLY HUNCH, I GUESS!
I HAVE BUT ONE RECOURSE ...THE VOID OF TIME SHALL OPEN AT MY COMMAND!...
...AND FROM THE 30TH CENTURY I SUMMON MY ARMIES...
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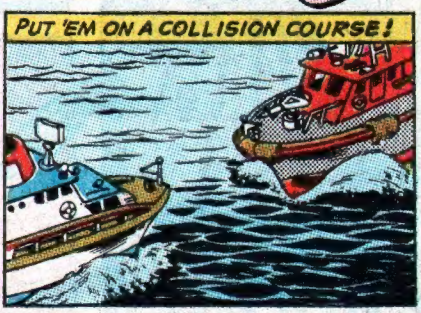

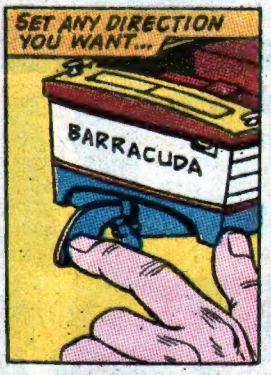

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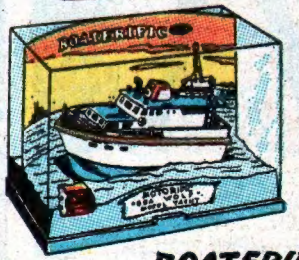

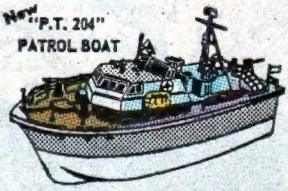

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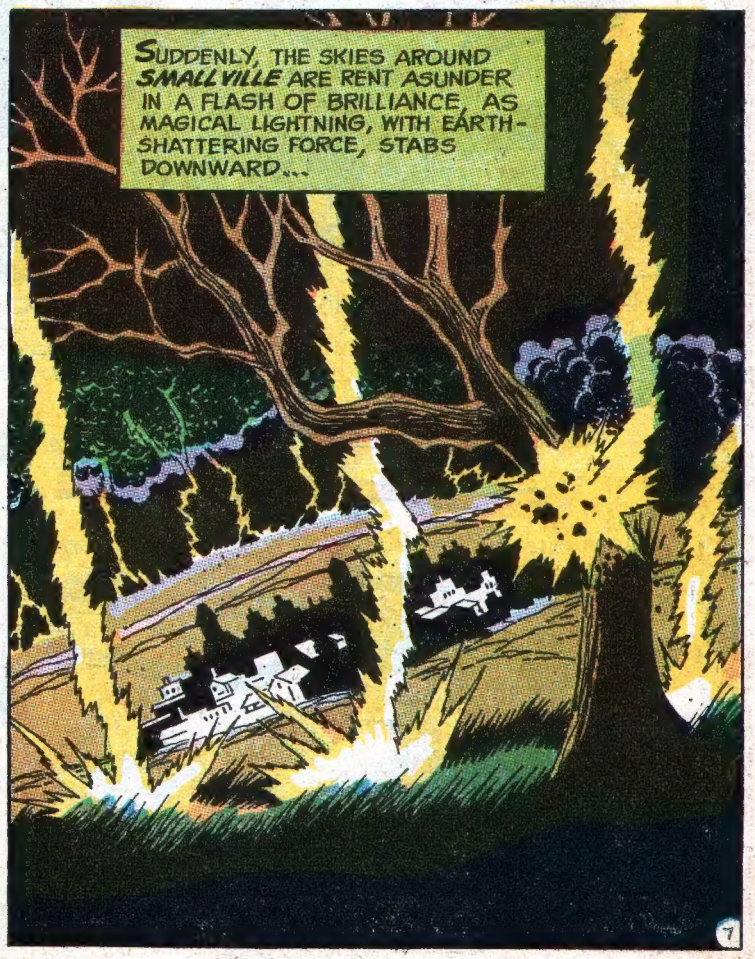
WITHIN SECONDS...
WE ARE HERE, LORD OF DARKNESS!
HAIL MORDRU!
I WILL SEAL THE TIME-TRAVEL LANES AFTER MY SOLDIERS... THEN NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO LEAVE OR ENTER THIS TIME PERIOD... THE LEGION HEROES WILL BE TRAPPED HERE!

THEN, AS THE EVIL FORCES OF MORDRÚ SET UP HEADQUARTERS IN A VAST CAVERN IN THE HILLS...
WE ARE READY TO BEGIN SEARCHING FOR THE LEGIONNAIRES AT YOUR COMMAND, LORDSHIP!
EXCELLENT...
...BUT FIRST, I THINK I WILL MAKE CERTAIN THE AREA YOU HAVE TO SEARCH IS LIMITED, CAPTAIN... THUS!


SUDDENLY, THE SKIES AROUND SMALLVILLE ARE RENT ASUNDER IN A FLASH OF BRILLIANCE, AS MAGICAL LIGHTNING, WITH EARTH-SHATTERING FORCE, STABS DOWNWARD...

MEANWHILE, IN SMALLVILLE...

KENT'S ERAL STORE

JONATHAN! DID YOU FEEL THAT SHOCK? WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE..?

MUST BE AN EARTHQUAKE...

DAD! MR. WELLS! COME TO THE EDGE OF TOWN! SOMETHING IMPOSSIBLE IS HAPPENING!

AND AT THAT MOMENT, SOMETHING IMPOSSIBLE INDEED IS HAPPENING. RIPPED LOOSE FROM THE EARTH BY THE AWESOME LIGHTNING BLASTS, THE TOWN RISES INTO THE AIR, AT MORDRU'S EVIL BIDDING...

HIGHER AND HIGHER THE TOWN SOARS UNTIL, AT THE FRINGES OF SPACE, IT STOPS ITS ASCENT! THEN, AT MORDRU'S COMMAND, AN IMPENETRABLE SHIELD FORMS ABOUT THE SKY-ISLAND, HOLDING IN ITS VITAL AIR SUPPLY... AND COMPLETELY ISOLATING THE COMMUNITY...

AND GAZING DOWN FROM THIS PRECARIOUS POSITION...

SEE, DAD? WE'RE IN SPACE! THAT'S EARTH... DOWN THERE!

JUMPING JEHOSAPHAT!

SOON, AS THE CITIZENS OF SMALLVILLE REALIZE THEIR PREDICAMENT...

WHAT CAN WE DO?

IF ONLY SUPERBOY WERE HERE... BUT HE HASN'T BEEN AROUND FOR WEEKS!

NEITHER YOU NOR HE REMEMBERS IT, JONATHAN KENT, BUT SUPERBOY IS THERE ... YOUR SON, CLARK!

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THE SECRETS OF BATMAN'S SPEC-TACULAR EQUIPMENT

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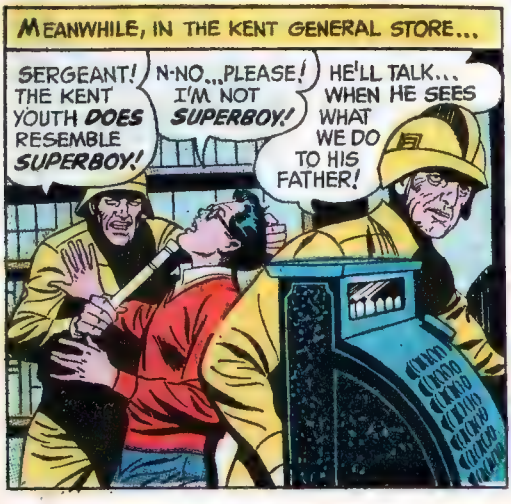
SUDDENLY, SEEMINGLY FROM NOWHERE...
EEEEE!
GASP! LOOK... AN ARMY!
WHO ARE YOU MEN? WHAT DO YOU WANT HERE?
WHAT IS THIS?
IT'S A NIGHT-MARE!
BUT THEN, AS SUDDENLY AS THEY APPEARED, THE FORCES OF MORDRU STRIKE...
YOU KNOW YOUR ORDERS... SPREAD OUT... FIND THEM!
TEAR THE TOWN APART, IF NECESSARY!
EVERY HOME FALLS VICTIM TO MORDRU'S TROOPS...
NO! NO! THEY'RE IRREPLACEABLE HEIRLOOMS! OHH!
QUIET! PERHAPS THEY CONCEAL A SECRET DOOR, EH?
CAPTAIN! WE HAVE ROUNDED UP SOME SUSPECTS!
WE HAVE ALL THE TEEN-AGE GIRLS... INCLUDING THE PRIME SUSPECTS... BETSY NORCROSS AND MARIE ELKINS!
IF THEY'RE LEGIONNAIRES, I'LL SOON MAKE THEM TALK!
EEEEK!

NO! NO! PLEASE! YOU NEARLY HIT US! EEEEEE!
THE NEXT DEATH BLAST WILL BE CLOSER... UNLESS YOU TALK!

WHA...?
LEAVE THEM ALONE, YOU... YOU BULLY!
GET HER!

LOOK AT THOSE GIRLS! CRINGING, FRIGHTENED! THEY'RE NOT LEGION-NAIRES! THEY HAVE NO SPIRIT LIKE THE RED-HEAD HAS!
BUT SHE HAS NO SUPER-POWERS!

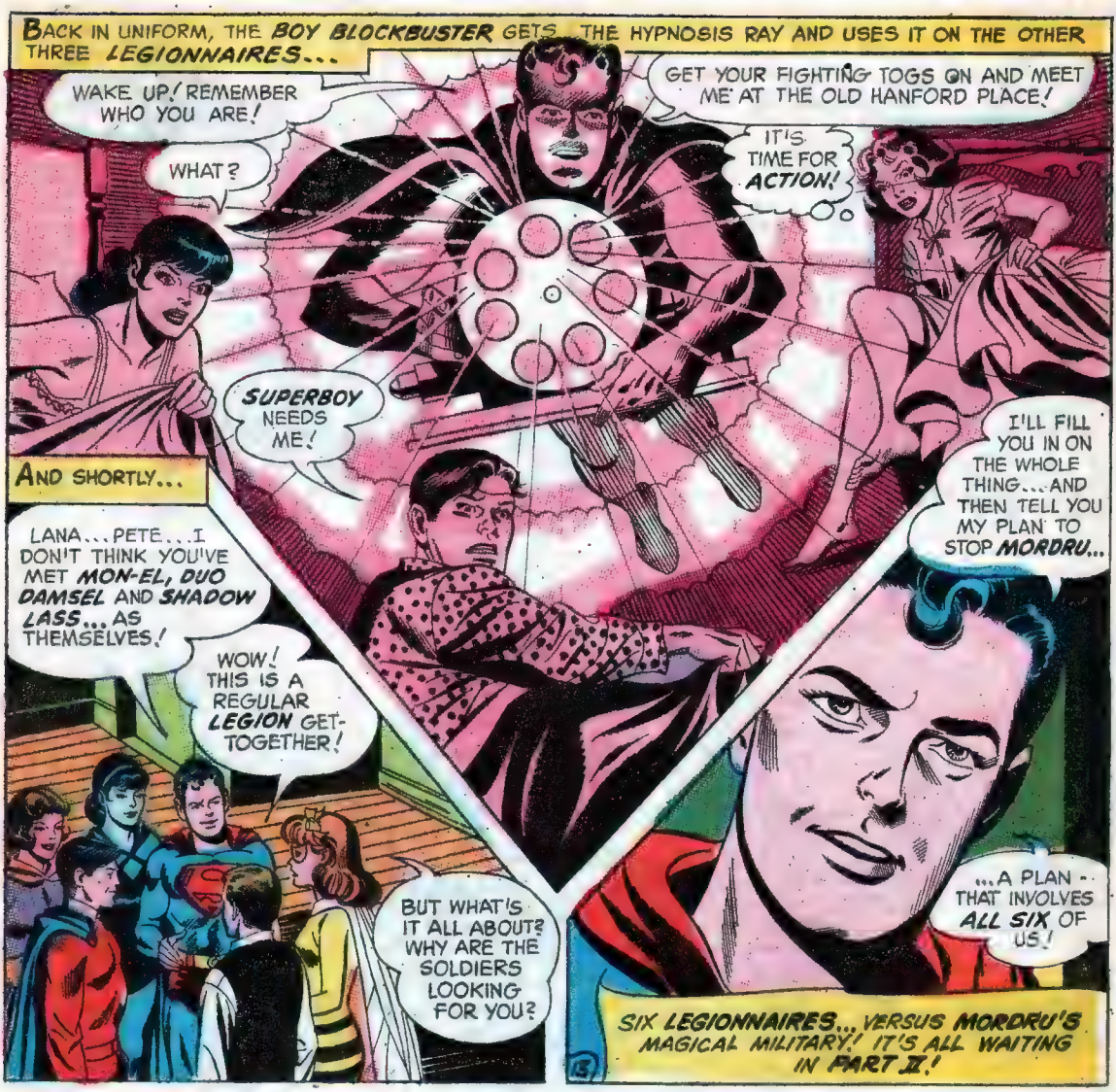
NONE OF THEM USED SUPER-POWERS TO PROTECT THEIR FRIENDS! LET THEM ALL GO!
BUT "BETSY" AND "MARIE" WOULD HAVE USED THEIR POWERS... IF SUPERBOY'S HYPNOSIS MACHINE HADN'T ALTERED THEIR MEMORIES AND BEHAVIOR PATTERNS!


MEANWHILE, IN THE KENT GENERAL STORE...
SERGEANT! THE KENT YOUTH DOES RESEMBLE SUPERBOY!
N-NO...PLEASE! I'M NOT SUPERBOY!
HE'LL TALK... WHEN HE SEES WHAT WE DO TO HIS FATHER!

SOON...
NO! STOP! DON'T HIT HIM AGAIN! I'LL SAY IT... I AM SUPERBOY!
THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU USE YOUR SUPER-STRENGTH TO STOP US? YOU'RE NOTHING BUT A WHIMPERING WEAKLING!

BUT PETE ROSS HAS BEEN WATCHING...
KENT GENERAL STORE
WHY DIDN'T CLARK STOP THEM? HE'S SUPERBOY! BUT... I HAVE IT!
SOMEHOW, HE SEEMS TO HAVE FORGOTTEN HIS SUPER-IDENTITY! I MUST SNAP HIM OUT OF IT FAST... BUT I'LL NEED HELP!
A PHONE CALL BRINGS LANA LANG TO A MEETING AT A DESERTED HOUSE...
OKAY, PETE... WHAT'S THE PITCH?
I KNOW YOU'RE A LEGION RESERVIST ...AND I'M AN HONORARY LEGIONNAIRE!
SUPERBOY NEEDS OUR HELP ...BUT IT MEANS I'LL HAVE TO TELL YOU HIS SECRET IDENTITY!
WHY WOULD SUPERBOY CONFIDE HIS SECRET TO YOU?
HE DIDN'T! HE ISN'T EVEN AWARE THAT I ONCE ACCIDENTALLY FOUND OUT HE'S CLARK KENT!
CLARK IS REALLY SUPERBOY? YOU'RE NOT KIDDING?
NO, LANA! GET YOUR BIO-RING AND YOUR INSECT QUEEN OUTFIT, AND I'LL PROVE IT TO YOU!
THE TROUBLE IS... I ALSO HAVE TO PROVE IT TO HIM!
HUH?
AND SO, LATE THAT NIGHT, A SHADOWY FIGURE SCALES THE SIDE OF THE KENT HOME...
GOOD OLD BIO-RING! IT CAN GIVE ME ANY INSECT FORM, LIKE A FLY GIRL ...PERFECT FOR CLIMBING WALLS!

I MUST GET CLARK OUT OF HERE WITHOUT WAKING HIS COUSIN...
...BUT THAT'S A CINCH FOR A COCOON-SPINNING CATERPILLAR QUEEN!
MMMF!
NOW THE CATERPILLAR TURNS INTO A BUTTERFLY...
ZZZZZZ
...AND WE'RE OFF TO MEET PETE AT THE OLD HOUSE!
SOON, IN THE DESERTED DWELLING...
MY POWERFUL BEETLE JAWS CUT AWAY THE COCOON!
GOOD! GET OUT YOUR MIRROR AND HOLD IT UP WHILE I USE THESE!
MY HAIR...YOU TRIED TO CUT IT... BUT THE SCISSORS BROKE!
MY HAIR IS INVULNERABLE! HOW...?
WAIT! IT'S COMING BACK...
OF COURSE...
I'M SUPERBOY!
I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU LEARNED MY IDENTITY... BUT THANKS FOR REMINDING ME OF IT! NOW I WON'T HAVE TO BOTHER WITH MY CLARK KENT GLASSES!
WAIT RIGHT THERE, YOU TWO! I'M GOING FOR MY COSTUME...AND REINFORCEMENTS!


BACK IN UNIFORM, THE BOY BLOCKBUSTER GETS THE HYPNOSIS RAY AND USES IT ON THE OTHER THREE LEGIONNAIRES...
WAKE UP! REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE!
WHAT?
GET YOUR FIGHTING TOGS ON AND MEET ME AT THE OLD HANFORD PLACE!
IT'S TIME FOR ACTION!
SUPERBOY NEEDS ME!
AND SHORTLY...
I'LL FILL YOU IN ON THE WHOLE THING...AND THEN TELL YOU MY PLAN TO STOP MORDRU...
LANA...PETE...I DON'T THINK YOU'VE MET MON-EL, DUO DAMSEL AND SHADOW LASS...AS THEMSELVES!
WOW! THIS IS A REGULAR LEGION GET-TOGETHER!
...A PLAN - THAT INVOLVES ALL SIX OF US!
BUT WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT? WHY ARE THE SOLDIERS LOOKING FOR YOU?
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GOSH, BETSY... I MEAN SHADOW LASS... TO THINK I WAS LIVING WITH A LEGIONNAIRE... AND DIDN'T KNOW IT! AND I WAS WORRIED ABOUT BOB FINDING OUT SUPERBOY'S IDENTITY... WHEN HE ALREADY KNEW IT!
TRY TO GET SOME SHUT-EYE! WE'LL NEED IT!
NEXT MORNING, IN THE KENT BASE-MENT...
OKAY, SUPERBOY...
...I'VE SPLIT!
AND I'M WEARING A SUPERBOY COSTUME AND MY LEGION FLIGHT-RING!
GOOD! I HAVE YOUR MAKE-UP READY!
SOON, AS MORDRU'S RELENTLESS TROOPS PATROL THE STREETS...
NO SIGN OF THE LEGIONNAIRES!
THEY'RE AFRAID TO SHOW THEIR FACES!
ARE THEY? THE NEXT INSTANT...
LEGION... ATTACK!
DOWN WITH MORDRU!
THEY'RE TOPPLING OUR VEHICLE! HELP!
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QUICK! TURN YOUR MAGI-RAYS ON THEM!
KEEP FIRING! THE MAGIC BLASTS CAN STOP THEM!
THEY WERE FOOLS TO SHOW THEMSELVES! THEY MUST BE MAD!
THEY'RE FALLING!
...UNAWARE THAT THEY ARE BEING STEALTHILY, SECRETLY FOLLOWED...
AND SO, WITH CRIES OF VICTORY, MORDRU'S MEN BIND THEIR CAPTIVES AND BEGIN THEIR TRIUMPHANT MARCH BACK TO THE HILLS...
DUO DAMSEL DID A GREAT JOB PLAYING BOTH HERSELF AND ME!
PETE MADE A CONVINCING "SUPERBOY," EVEN THOUGH MON DID ALL THE SUPER-FEATS!
SOON, IN THE CAVE OF MORDRU...
SO, LEGIONNAIRES! MY LITTLE WEB OF SOLDIERS HAS CAUGHT YOU!
PREPARE TO DIE, HEROES! AH-H, HOW LONG HAVE I WAITED FOR THIS REVENGE!

SUDDENLY...
LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO WAIT A LOT LONGER, MORDY!
SUPERBOY... SHADOW LASS... BUT...
WITH TERRIBLE SWIFTNESS, THE LEGIONNAIRES STRIKE! SHADOW LASS BLANKETS THE GREAT HALL WITH BLACKNESS! SOLDIERS FLEE IN CONFUSED TERROR, AS THE INTRUDERS DRIVE IN AT THEIR ULTIMATE ENEMY...
SUPERBOY, MON-EL AND SHADOW LASS CAN SEE IN THE DARK... AND SO CAN I ... AS A NOCTURNAL INSECT!
CAUGHT OFF GUARD... TAKEN UNAWARES... HELPLESS IN SPITE OF HIS WORLD-SHAKING MIGHT, THE FIGURE AT THE THRONE FALLS... VICTIM OF A SUPER-FIST...
WE DID IT! WE CONQUERED MORDRU!
THE ENEMY IS OURS!
ON THE CONTRARY, LEGIONNAIRES...
...YOU ARE MINE!

IDIOTS! DID YOU THINK YOUR FEEBLE POWERS COULD OVERCOME MY MAGICAL MIGHT?
THIS TIME I'LL USE MY MAGIC TO BIND YOU! I'LL SEE THAT YOU NEVER ESCAPE!
MAGIC BONDS... APPEAR... IN THE NAME OF YOG-SOTHOTH! AND TRANSPORT US TO THE COURTROOM!
MINUTES LATER...
NOW YOU WILL BE TRIED BY A JURY OF THE GREATEST CRIMINALS OF THE 30TH CENTURY!
IT'S TOO BAD THE FATAL FIVE COULDN'T MAKE IT! THEY'D HAVE LOVED THE CHANCE TO PASS JUDGMENT ON YOU!
MORDRU SORCERER
DORZAK MURDERER
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IS THE PROSECUTION READY, WRAITHOR?
IT IS, YOUR HONOR!
AND YOU, COUNSELOR ROSS...IS YOUR DEFENSE PREPARED?
YES... FUTILE AS IT SEEMS WITH THE DECK STACKED AGAINST US!
MORDRU SORCERER
THE PROSECUTION WILL PROVE THAT THE LEGIONNAIRES HAVE COMMITTED NUMEROUS FLAGRANT ANTI-CRIME ACTS!
CAN THEY DENY THAT THEY PUT AN END TO THE CAREERS OF THE TIME TRAPPER, UNIVERSO, DR. REGULUS, DR. MANTIS MORLO, AND THE DEVIL'S DOZEN? NO!
BUT WORST OF ALL, TWO OF THE DEFENDANTS, SUPERBOY AND MON-EL, TRAPPED MORDRU, THE DARK LORD, IN AN AIRLESS VAULT, WHERE HE REMAINED, UNCONSCIOUS FOR YEARS! THIS TIME-TAPE SHOWS THEM IN THE ACT!
CAN THE DEFENSE DENY OR EXCUSE ANY OF THESE OFFENSES?
YOU CAN BET YOUR CRYSTAL BALL I WON'T! THE LEGION'S PROUD OF PROTECTING THE UNIVERSE FROM FIENDS LIKE YOU!
HEAR HIM! HE ADMITS ALL!
SURE! IF MORDRU GOT CONTROL OF THE UNIVERSE, EVERYONE WOULD BE A STOOGE OF THAT BIG SHOT MAGICIAN... JUST LIKE EVERY ONE OF YOU IS!
GOLGR
ASSASS!

NO USE! THE JURORS DIDN'T BAT AN EYE WHEN I SAID THAT! THEY'RE COMPLETELY UNDER MORDRU'S CONTROL, ALL RIGHT!
THEN...
HAS THE JURY REACHED A VERDICT?
WE HAVE, YOUR HONOR!
WE FIND THE DEFENDANTS GUILTY ON ALL COUNTS!
YOU HAVE BEEN TRIED AND FOUND GUILTY OF NUMEROUS ACTS OF ANTI-CRIME! I SENTENCE YOU TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT ON THE DEVIL'S ISLAND OF SPACE!
HOLD, LORD OF DARKNESS!
WHAT IS IT, WRAITHOR?
THE LEGIONNAIRES ARE NOT ORDINARY DEFENDERS! THEY SHOULD HAVE A SPECIAL DOOM. ALLOW ME TO PREPARE ONE FOR THEM!
PERMISSION GRANTED!
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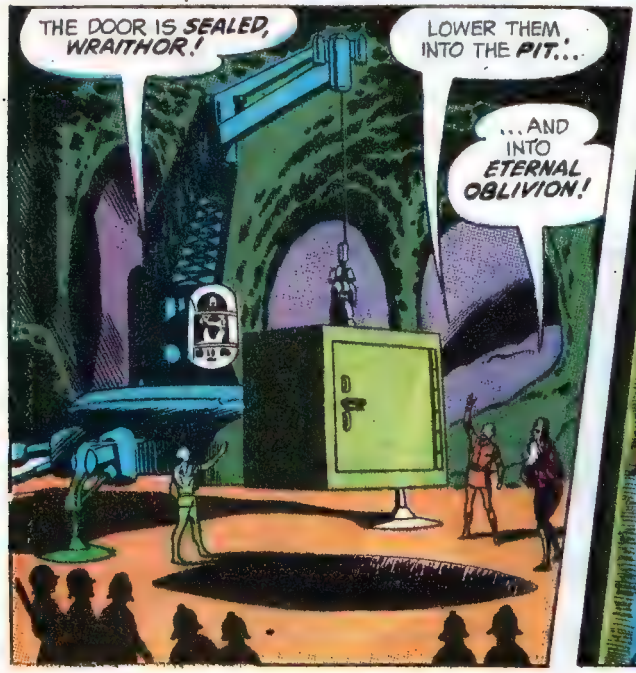
SHORTLY...
SEE? A VAULT! JUST AS THEY ENTOMBED YOU, WE SHALL ENTOMB THEM!
YES! EXCELLENT! BUT THEY MUST NOT ESCAPE, AS I DID! THEY MUST FOREVER REMAIN TRAPPED!

THIS VAULT IS LEAD-LINED AND KRYPTONITE-COATED.* IT IS TRIPLE-STEEL-FRAMED AND INERTRON-SEALED! NOTHING COULD GET OUT, MY LORD... SAVE PERHAPS YOUR OWN GREAT POWER! THE LEGIONNAIRES WILL DIE A SLOW, AGONIZING DEATH!
*LEAD IS THE ONE SUBSTANCE WHICH IS DEADLY TO MON-EL, WHILE KRYPTONITE CAN KILL SUPERBOY. —Ed.

UNLIKE YOUR TOMB, MASTER, THERE WILL BE AMPLE AIR FOR THEM TO BREATHE! FOUR HEROES WILL DIE OF STARVATION AND THIRST! THE KRYPTONITE AND LEAD WILL SLOWLY KILL SUPERBOY AND MON-EL!


THE DOOR IS SEALED, WRAITHOR!
LOWER THEM INTO THE PIT...
...AND INTO ETERNAL OBLIVION!

MEANWHILE, INSIDE...
OH, SUPERBOY! IT'S HOPELESS! SOB
SAY...THIS IS FISHIER THAN A BOWL OF GUPPIES! THAT'S NOT REAL KRYPTONITE! IT HASN'T WEAKENED ME!
AND THE "LEAD" DOESN'T BOTHER ME... THOUGH THE SERUM THAT PROTECTS ME FROM LEAD HAS WORN OFF!
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I DON'T KNOW! THE STEEL-INERTRON WALLS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE TOO STRONG EVEN FOR US! LET'S SEE...
LOOK! AS WEAK AS TINFOIL!
WE'RE FREE! WE MUST HAVE A FRIEND AMONG OUR FOES!
SOMEBODY LIKES US... BUT WHO?
WHO BUT ...ME?
WRAITHOR!
FOLLOW ME OUT OF THE PIT!
YOU SEE, I WAS ONCE A SORCERER OF GREAT POWER... MORDRU WAS A COLLEAGUE OF MINE IN THE COUNCIL OF WIZARDS ON THE PLANET ZEROX!
BUT MORDRU DISCOVERED A MEANS OF STEALING OUR POWER! WHEN HE HAD DONE SO, AND BECOME NEAR-OMNIPOTENT, HE MADE ME, THE FORMER HEAD OF THE COUNCIL, HIS CHIEF LACKEY AS A JEST!
BUT PETE'S SPEECH SOMEHOW BROKE MORDRU'S SPELL OVER ME... AND I BECAME A FREE MAN AGAIN!
I STILL HAD A LITTLE POWER, WHICH I USED TO FAKE THAT DEATH-VAULT!

FLEE...QUICKLY! GOOD LUCK, AND...
EEEEEEEAAAARRRRGGGGGG...
WRAITHOR! LOOKS LIKE MORDRU GOT HIM!
PRECISELY! AND YOU ARE POWERLESS! I DECREE IT!
UHH! HE'S SAPPED MY STRENGTH!
GASP! WE'RE HELPLESS! OUR SUPER-POWERS ARE GONE!
WE'RE TRAPPED! MORDRU HAS PUT US IN SOME KIND OF FORCE-FIELD! WE CAN'T BREAK OUT!
WE CAN'T ATTACK, SINCE WE'RE NO LONGER SUPERHUMAN... AND NOW, WE CAN'T EVEN, RUN AWAY!
AT LAST, LEGIONNAIRES, I'M GOING TO DO WHAT I SHOULD HAVE DONE LONG AGO!
WE'VE ALL FACED DEATH BEFORE...BUT THIS TIME, THERE'S NO ESCAPE!
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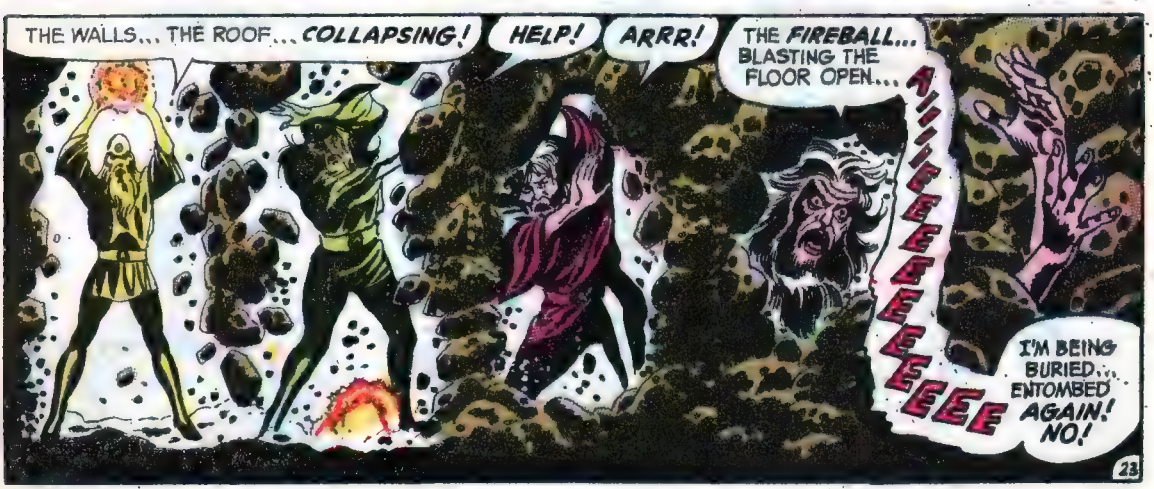
BUT, AS *MORDRU* POURS HIS LAST IOTA OF TERRIBLE FORCE INTO HIS WEAPON AND LIFTS IT HIGH ABOVE HIS HEAD TO DRIVE IT DOWN UPON THE HEROES, THE CAVERN WALLS, UNABLE TO WITHSTAND THE PRESENCE OF THE AWESOME ENERGY, *CRUMBLE AROUND HIM...*



BUT THE *LORD OF DARKNESS* IS ENTOMBED AGAIN...IN *ETERNAL DARKNESS*... ... AND, AS IF TO MAKE SURE, THE HEAT OF THE FIREBALL *FUSES* THE FALLEN RUBBLE, DEFYING MAN OR THE AGES EVER AGAIN TO FREE HIS EVIL...

BUT SIX FIGURES *DO* MAKE IT TO THE SURFACE...

WE'RE THE ONLY SURVIVORS! *MORDRU* ... HIS ARMY... THAT *DEVIL'S JURY*... ALL *BURIED*!

STRANGE... IT WAS *MORDRU'S* FORCE-FIELD THAT SHIELDED US FROM THE CAVE-IN!

AND WHEN HE GOT HIS, OUR POWERS RETURNED, SO WE COULD DIG OUT!

AFTER RETURNING *SMALLVILLE* TO EARTH, *SUPERBOY* AGAIN USES THE *HYPNOSIS RAY*...

LISTEN CAREFULLY, LANA...

YOU WILL LEAVE THIS PLACE...

...GO DIRECTLY HOME...

...AND FORGET ALL ABOUT MY SECRET IDENTITY!

NOW IT'S *YOUR* TURN, PETE!

I WILL... FORGET!

BUT ABRUPTLY, *MON-EL* SNATCHES THE MACHINE, AND...

NO, *SUPERBOY*... IT'S *YOUR* TURN!

WHAT...? UUUHH!

NOW...YOU WILL *FORGET* THAT PETE ROSS KNOWS... OR HAS *EVER* KNOWN... YOUR SECRET IDENTITY!

YES... FORGET...

BUT, *MON*... WHY...?

JUST CALL IT A... *REWARD* ... FOR HELPING US!

I CAN'T TELL PETE WHAT I LEARNED IN THE FUTURE! WHEN HE GROWS UP, HE'S DESTINED TO SAVE *SUPERMAN'S* LIFE...BECAUSE HE KNOWS HIS IDENTITY!

LATER (ABOUT A THOUSAND YEARS LATER), WHEN THE FOUR SUPER-HEROES RETURN TO THE 30TH CENTURY...
INVISIBLE KID... DREAM GIRL... ULTRA BOY! YOU'RE ALL OKAY!
BUT MORDRU SAID HE'D DISPOSED OF YOU!
THAT'S WHAT HE THOUGHT!
"IT WAS DREAM GIRL WHO SAVED US, WITH ONE OF HER PROPHETIC VISIONS..."
MORDRU WILL STRIKE AT US...IN THREE HOURS...TO DESTROY US!
WHAT CHANCE HAVE WE AGAINST HIM?
I HAVE AN IDEA! I MUST CONTACT MY SISTER, THE WHITE WITCH!
"AND WHEN MORDRU SHOWED UP, THE WHITE WITCH USED A COUNTER-SPELL TO PREVENT HIS MAGIC FROM HARMING THE CLUBHOUSE OR US LEGIONNAIRES!* AT THE SAME TIME, PRINCESS PROJECTRA CREATED AN ILLUSION THAT MADE HIM THINK HE'D SUCCEEDED...
WELL, I'LL BE DARNED! TO THINK OF ALL THE TROUBLE WE HAD DODGING MORDRU! HOW IRONIC THAT HE WAS FOILED BY THREE GIRLS!
THE END
*THE WHITE WITCH IS NOT A LEGIONNAIRE. SHE FIRST APPEARED IN ADVENTURE NO. 351.-ED.

Dear Editor:

As of ADVENTURE No. 367, I have 43 issues of that mag. There have been some magnificent stories. Like Nos. 340 and 341—"Computo the Conqueror"; Nos. 352 and 353—"The Fatal Five"; No. 354—"The Adult Legion"; No. 357—"The Ghost of Ferro Lad"; Nos. 359 and 360—"The End of the Legion"; Nos. 365 and 366—"The Escape of the Fatal Five." But never, **never** have I read a Legion story like the one presented in No. 367—"No Escape from the Circle of Death." I will have to say this is my favorite Legion story to date, and with competition like the aforementioned mags to run against, I'd say this is one whale of a tale—and not a continued one at that! The reasons for my praise are: (1) Curt Swan artwork; (2) the people of the 30th century giving the Legion the rewards it so richly deserves; (3) the Legion's new clubhouse; (4) insight into Karate Kid's civilian life; (5) the miracle machine used by Brainiac 5 to defeat the invaders, and the moral that went along with it.

—Dave Truesdale, So. St. Paul, Minn.

(Then to your reasons for enjoying the story, you should add: (6) Jim Shooter's script.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

In ADVENTURE No. 366, you show the Legionnaires being decorated by the president. But if Superboy's costume is impenetrable, how could the medal be pinned on? It seems to me that a pin wouldn't penetrate it.

—Wesley Hunter, McAlester, Okla.

(It wouldn't. But what makes you think they'll still use old-fashioned pins on medals in the 30th century? They'll use an adhesive that doesn't pierce the fabric.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

In the April issue of ADVENTURE COMICS you provided a way to bring back Ferro Lad. The miracle machine can provide anything the Legionnaires wish for. So, using this, they could restore Ferro Lad to life. I know that in the Adult Legion story, you said he would stay dead, but the Legionnaires can change the future, can't they?

—Larry Godsey, Cincinnati, Ohio

(No, they can't alter destiny. In fact, there are some limitations even for a miracle machine. However, we promise to put Ferro Lad's brother in the next Adult Legion story, as a fully accredited member. —Ed.)

Dear Editor:

Can Chameleon Boy change himself into a phantom or become invisible?

—Marshall Wong, Los Angeles, Calif.

(He can't vanish, but he **can** become an immaterial phantom—and did just that in ADVENTURE No. 326.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

Whoa! Sure, I like Mr. Spock on **Star Trek**, but that's no reason to turn Brainiac 5 into a green Mr. Spock. I'm referring to his use of the expression, "illogical." Somehow, it doesn't fit the Brainy I've grown to know and like so well. Besides, we readers want him to be more human-like than computer-like. He isn't a computer, like the original Brainiac, you know—he's a real, flesh-and-blood person.

—Callie Ann Colwell, Yankton, S.D.

(Okay, Annie! You and the many other readers who told us the same thing have decided the issue. From now on, Brainy will avoid Spock-type dialogue.—Ed)

Dear Editor:

Recently, while examining micro-memory-tapes of 20th century documents, I came across a publication which interested me greatly—ADVENTURE COMICS. The recording was incomplete, however; only issues 360, 361, 366, 368, 369 and 370 had been taped. What was most incredible was that they contained Tales of the Legion of Super-Heroes which followed closely actual cases of the Legion! I decided to write this letter and send it to you via one of our government time-cubes. But I didn't have to write it! I simply copied it from the letter page of ADVENTURE where it had already been printed! I would like to point out two minor inaccuracies in your stories, though. Instead of the United Planets, most worlds belong to the United **Federation of** Planets. Also, the primary law enforcement agency of the U.F.N. is the Galactic Patrol, not the Science Police (which was phased out in 2956). I know this letter will reach you. I have set the cube to send it to the main New York Post Office on Jan. 20, 1968 (1,000 years ago to the day). The stamp is a copy of a 20th century stamp from the Postal Museum.

—Gor Bismari, Director, Historical Information Service, Federal Office Complex 7716, 2696 Stellar Ave., Metropolis, Earth.

(We think your letter is a hoax. If it's not, the authorities will be after you for stamp counterfeiting. Also, if we got the letter from you . . . and you copied it from this issue . . . who wrote it?—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

I am tired of everyone saying Brainiac 5 is the least helpful member of the Legion. He invented the flight-ring. He invented a formula to take away the shape-changing power of the Proteans in No. 334. He invented a serum to make Mon-El immune to lead poisoning. He neutralized Starfinger's effects on Legionnaires in issue 336. He figured out how to restore himself and his fellow Legion members to their true ages when they were turned into tots in No. 356. Seems to me he's the most valuable of all the Super-Heroes.—Mike Williams, Ridgway, Ill.

(Thanks for the excellent run-down. One more knock about Brainy in this column and we might have been picketed by the National Association for the Advancement of Green People.—Ed.)

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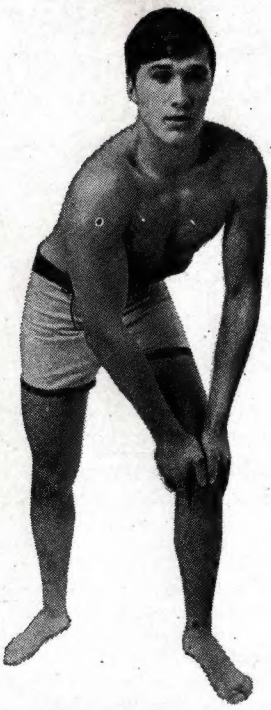

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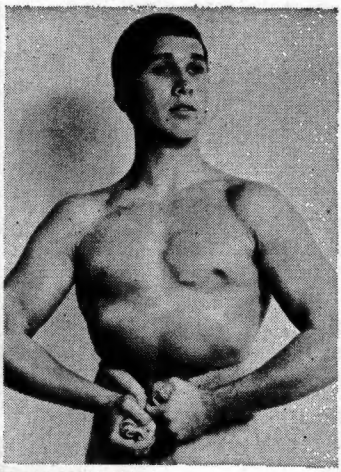

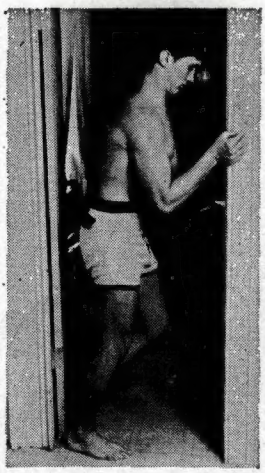

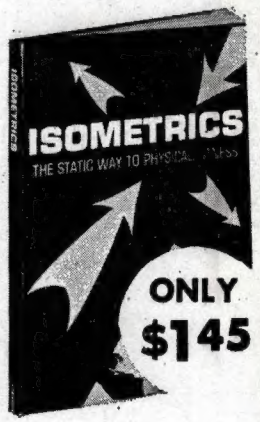

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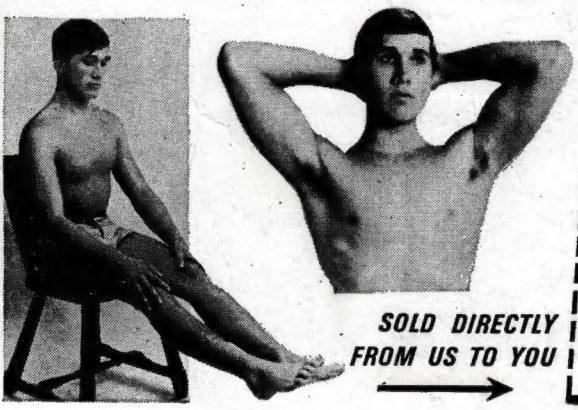

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